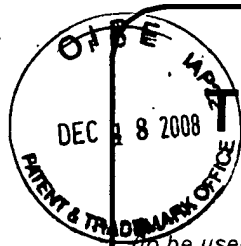


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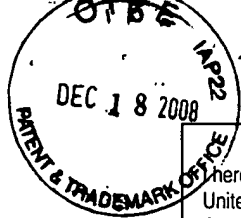
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 28, 2008, please amend the
above-identified application as indicated herein. Please reconsider the application in light of
the amendments and remarks below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins
on page 2 of this paper.

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